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Our Covers. . . *Front:* Model Dorothy Sherman wears a Bon Ray cocktail dress woven with Enka Rayon. The dress is sold at Milgrim, New York City; Leon Srohsin, Atlanta; and A. Harris, Dallas.

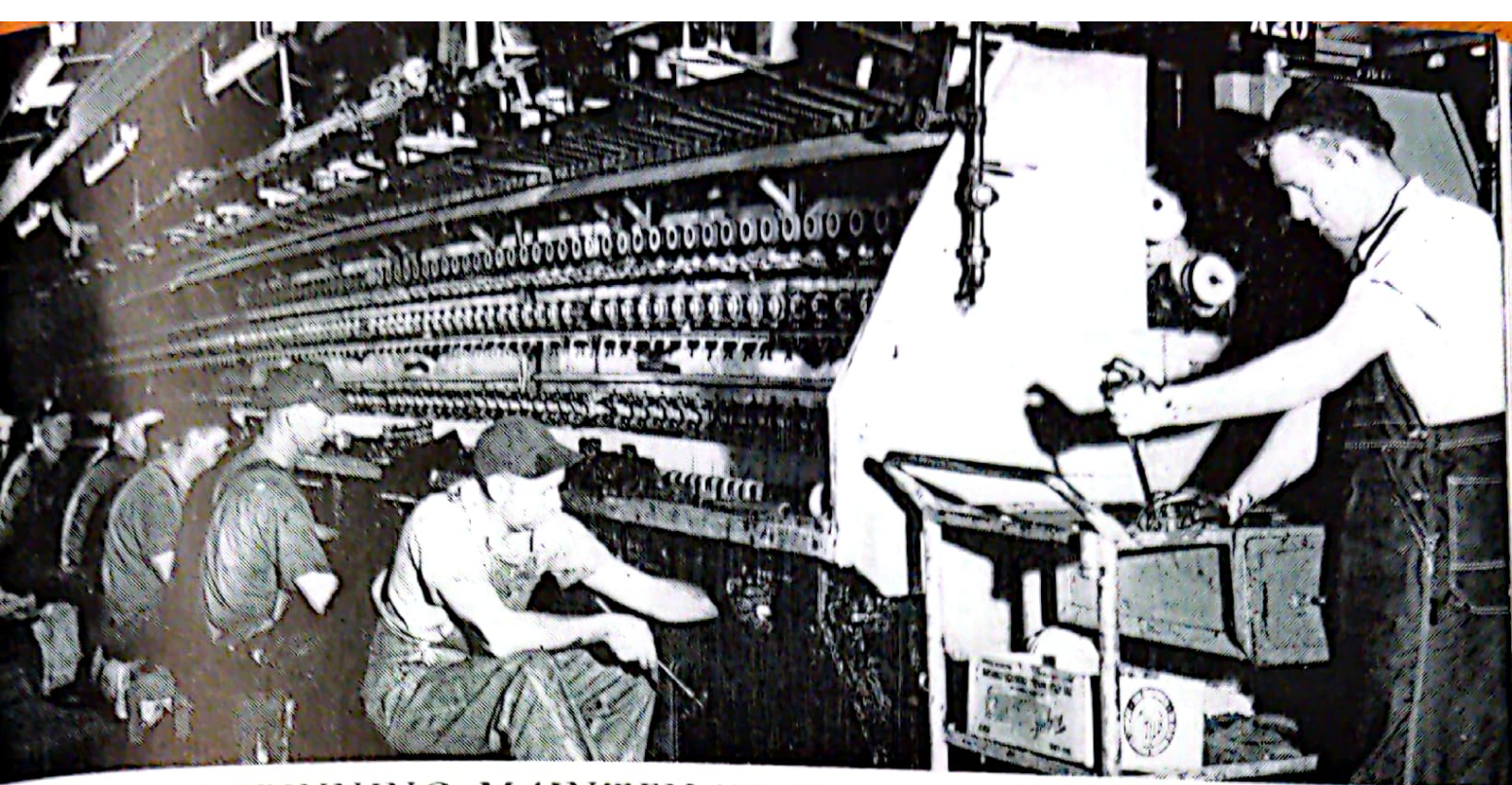
Back: Mrs. Ella Haynes of the Enka Plant Cone Sorting Unit is inspecting and packing tinted cones for a sample shipment.

A Vital Role . . .

The Maintenance Section of the Enka Plant Engineering Dept. performs a vital role in the installation, upkeep, and repair of production machinery and equipment. A pictorial story of its job starts on opposite page.

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SPOOL SPINNING MAINTENANCE . . . Removing pump bases and viscose tubing on No. A-20, which is coming out of curtailment, are, left to right: Troy Duckett, Robert Gosnell, Lee Teague, Furman Surret, Robert Ayers, Lowell Robinson, and Leo Long.

Method in Their Maintenance

IT'S not a particularly glamorous job, but without it, the production departments at the Enka Plant would find themselves a pretty hapless lot.

This is the job done by the Maintenance Section of the Plant Engineering Dept. This is where you'll find the boys who can carry the ball when the need arises for installation, maintenance, or repair of production machinery and equipment.

It's a far-flung Section with about 350 employees—all geared in some way or other to the one broad objective of keeping the wheels of production spinning . . . of keeping the quality of Enka Rayon top-notch.

Headed up by Paul Green, the Section is split away into three Units: General Shops, under the foremanship of Jake Schoonderwoerd; Gen-

eral Field and Maintenance, supervised by A. E. Pumford; and Preventive Maintenance and Planning, a relatively new unit to which Houston Blackwell is devoting a share of his time.

The General Shops Unit includes the Machine Shop, A. L. Sutton in charge; Salvage Shop, under G. H. Prosser; Lacquer Shop, supervised by S. A. Mann; Textile Maintenance "A", under the foremanship of D. A. Styles; and Textile Maintenance "B", captained by C. A. Fletcher.

The General Field and Maintenance Unit consists of the General Mechanics Group, under E. A. Calvin; Pipe Shop, steered by F. J. Keenan; and the Spool Spinning and Pot Spinning Maintenance Groups, the former supervised by H. C.

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Shook, the latter by W. C. Bryant.

There also are four shift foremen in the Section—E. H. Boone, W. V. Walker, Jess Israel, and John Morrow—who handle four shifts of mechanics drawn from various units. By these shifts, maintenance is assured 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

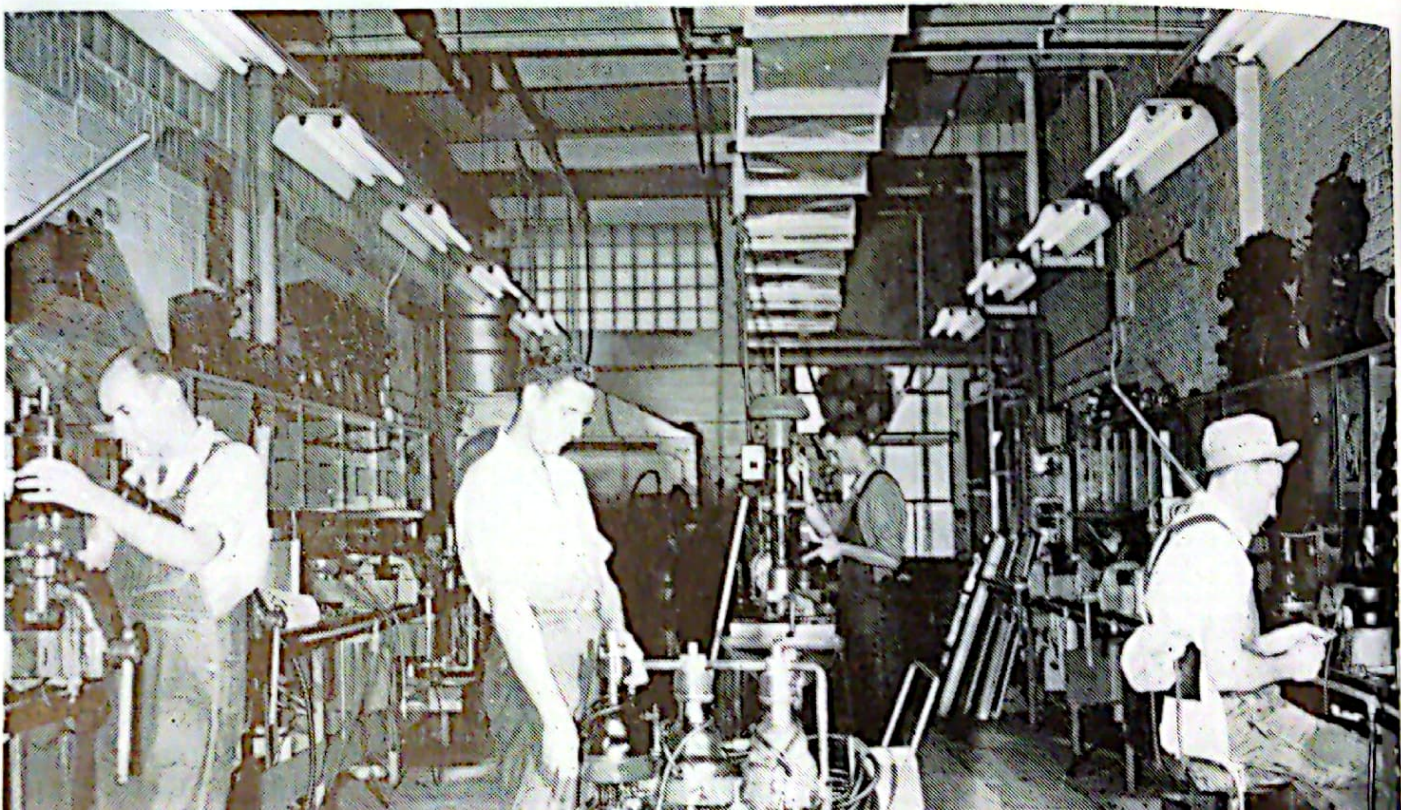
Mr. Green is a staunch believer in getting together with his foremen to discuss projects under way or under consideration. He and his two general foremen confer each morning at 8:15, and each Friday all shop foremen come in to talk over the progress of their work.

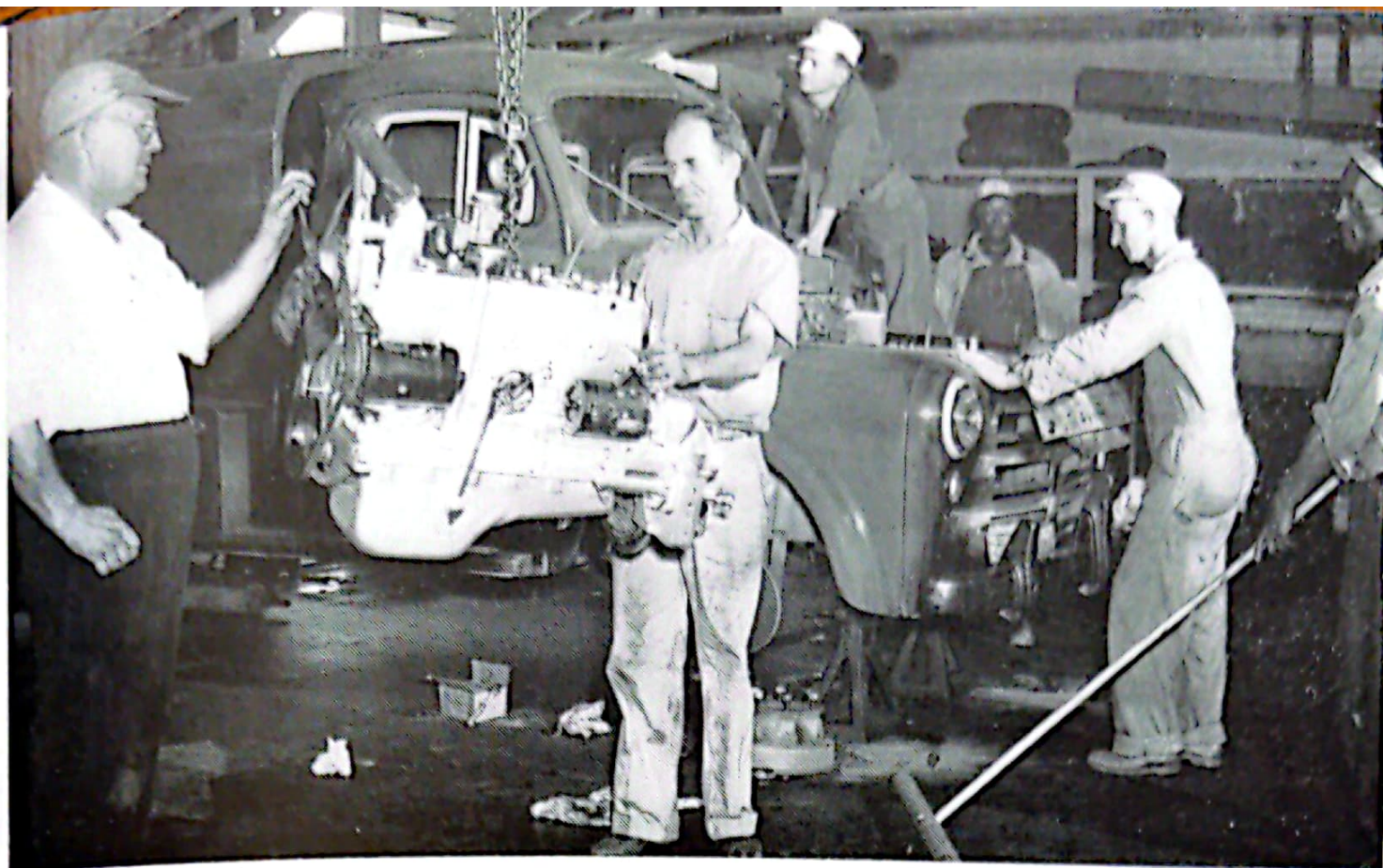
The Maintenance Men—unsung heroes by the very nature of their jobs—deserve a 21-gun salute from all employees . . . for their part in making Enka's the quality rayon of the textile world . . . for their insistence on . . . and achievement of . . . method in their maintenance.



LACQUER SHOP . . . H. H. King pushes a rack of pots into an oven for baking. The crew here lacquers pots, spool and pot spinning equipment, cake bleach equipment, etc., used throughout the plant.

POT SPINNING MAINTENANCE . . . The P. S. M. Shop—for repairing pot motors—finds pouring over their work, left to right: Bron Brookshire, Jack Coffey, J. B. Morgan, and Eugene Morgan. The P. S. M. Group carries about 53 men.





AUTO REPAIR SHOP . . . The Lowland Express truck is about to sport a new motor—an experiment in preventive maintenance. The old motor, with 96,695 miles of power behind it, will be installed in a Village truck to determine how much life it still has. The boys in the shop are, left to right: George West, Homer Dyer, Dennis Sparks (Paint Shop), Joe Benson, Bill Sircey (Paint Shop), and Pete Robinson.

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND PLANNING UNIT . . . Houston Blackwell schedules inspections and repairs before machinery breaks down or wears out.



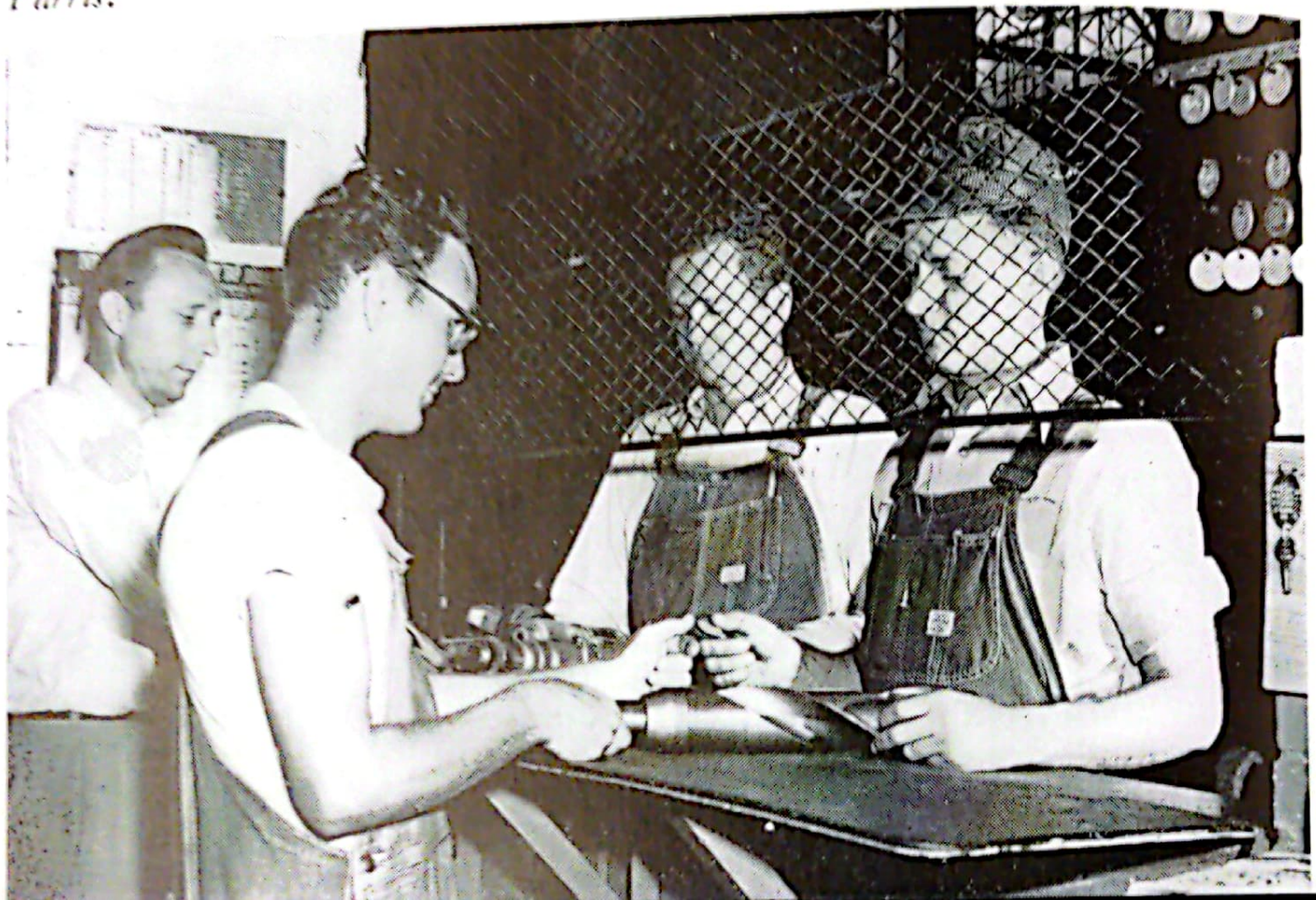
WELDING SHOP . . . Clyde Haynie, left, and W. T. Morrow are preparing to weld a hub into a pulley for spinning.





TEXTILE MAINTENANCE "A" maintains all equipment and new installations in twisting, reeling, Atwood winding, steaming and spool cleaning, sorting and cone packing, and shipping. Left to right are: Paul Allison, Harold Daves, G. H. Blackwell, and Grady Parris.

TOOL ROOM . . . Strict accountability of all tools used in the Machine Shop is the responsibility of the Tool Room boys. Left to right are: J. T. Keyton, J. B. Whiteside, and, checking out tools, Bryan Green and Glenn Parris.

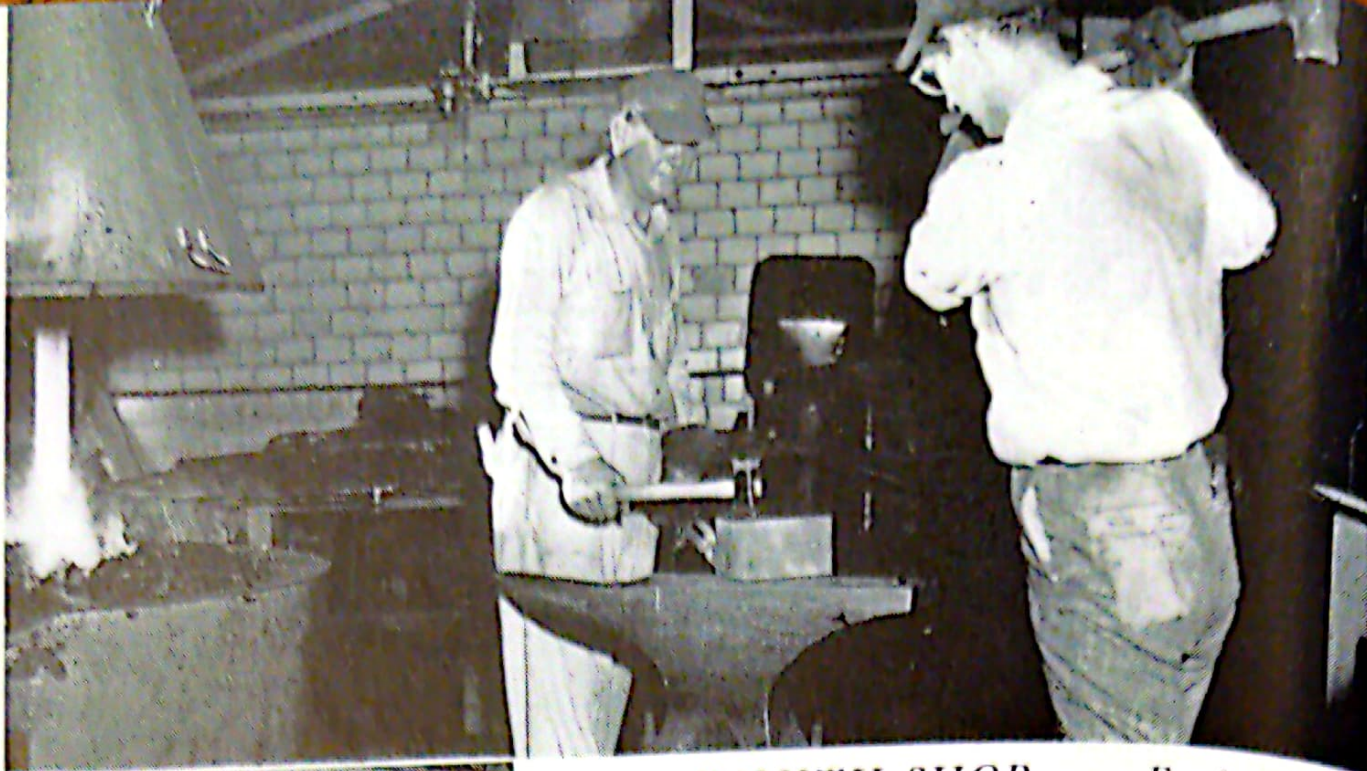




GENERAL MECHANICS . . . *Hartzell Daves, left, and Charles Hall repair a pump for the spinning bath. About 40 men in this group repair pumps, fans, and all mechanical equipment from Vacuum Wash to the Chemical Bldg., excluding pot and spool spinning and electrical equipment.*

SHEET METAL SHOP . . . *These boys make a lot of noise, but it's for a good purpose. Turning out everything needed in the sheet metal line are, left to right: Loren Moore, Rhea Poore, W. M. Moore, Rex Arrowood, Junius Foster, "Hub" Williams, Sherman Phillips, Loyd Jamerson, Dewey Rhea, assistant foreman of the Machine Shop, and N. L. Lovinggood.*





BLACKSMITH SHOP . . . Fred Gosnell, left, and Ralph Lewis bring an ancient trade to modern industry as they bend a beam clamp used for swinging churns in the Churn Room.



MACHINE SHOP . . . It'll take Eldridge Young, left, about 30 minutes to bore this valve bonnet on his engine lathe. When finished, it will go on a crystallizer valve.

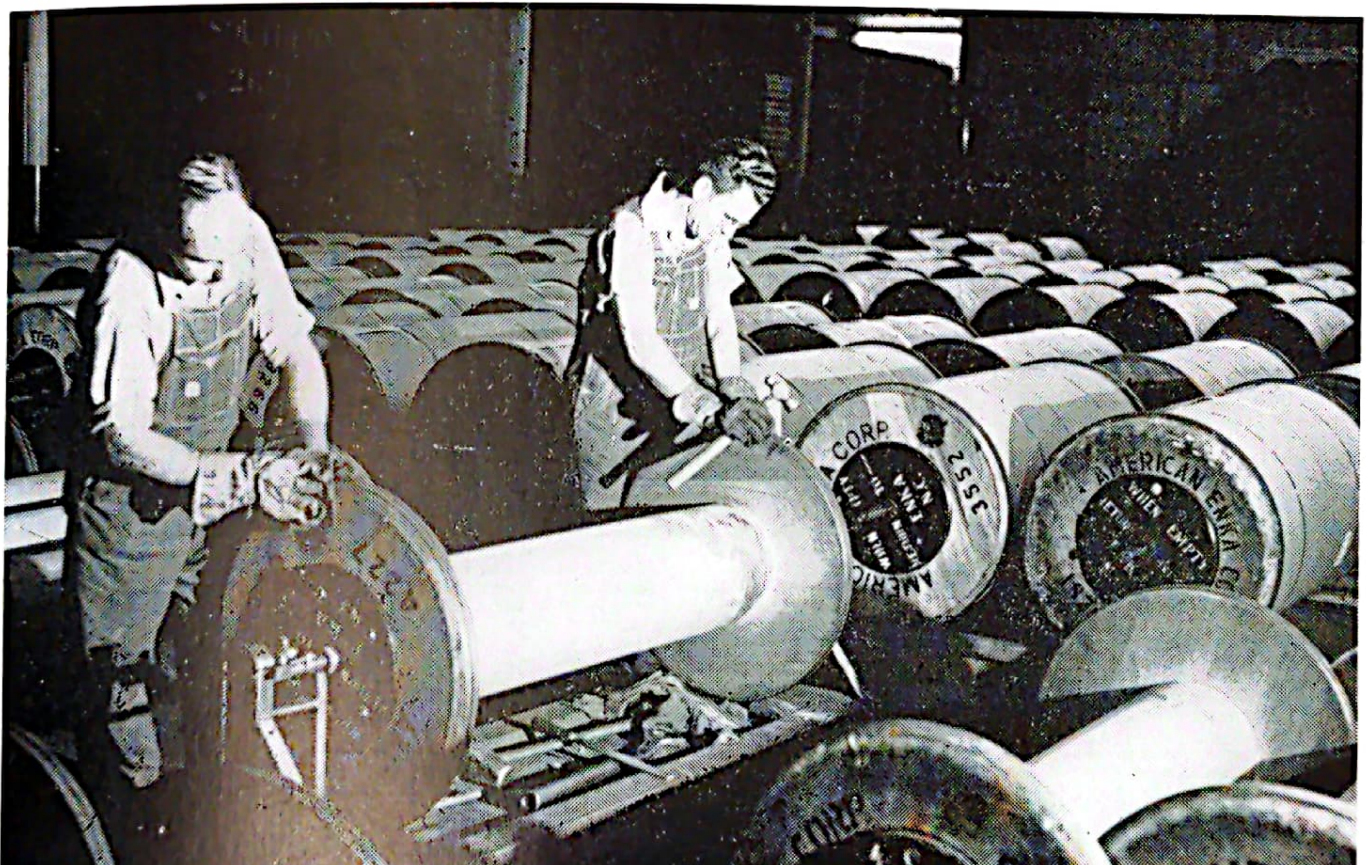
SALVAGE SHOP . . . Maintenance here means casting lead and aluminum, sorting scrap lead, cleaning, disposing, etc. Clark Hutchison, left (see inside front cover), and T. B. Hopkins are pouring oval hole bolts.





PIPE SHOP . . . Another clamorous job is that of the Pipe Shop boys who fit, cover, and weld pipe, weld construction steel, burn lead, rig, repair, and overhaul cake bleach cars, evaporators, and crystallizers. Left to right are: Furman Cole, Jr.; Dewey Whitaker; Jess Ball; Frank Keenan, foreman; Marcus Jamison; Vincent Robinson; "Charley" Glenn; and Ernest Moses.

TEXTILE MAINTENANCE "B" . . . Troubleshooting out of the Textile Maintenance Shop are these "B" boys, Ralph Harris, left, and Virgil Pressley, who'll have this tire yarn beam repaired soon and ready to be wound with Enka Rayon.



VOICE Tails New Employee At Lowland...

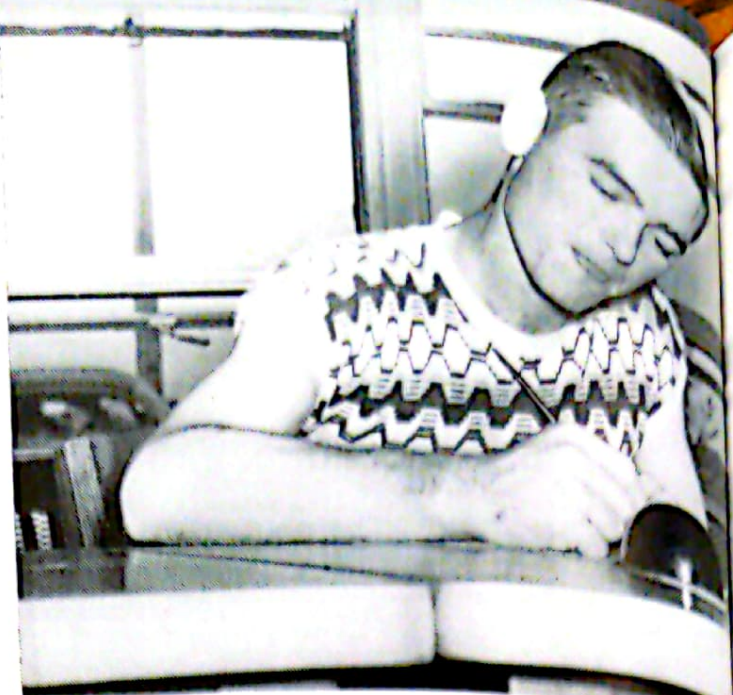
GETTING a job at American Enka's Lowland Plant involves a lot of "looking" and "being looked at."

The VOICE last month found that out as a couple of its staffers—poised with pencil and camera—peeked into the Plant's employment procedure.

They discovered the Company goes to elaborate pains to bring qualified, personable employees to its team.

They found, too, that Enka's personnel department realizes the Company first must present a solid bill of goods before it can interest qualified employees.

After his application form is completed and a brief preliminary interview is held, a prospective employee and his background are investigated. If he appears desirable, his application is filed.

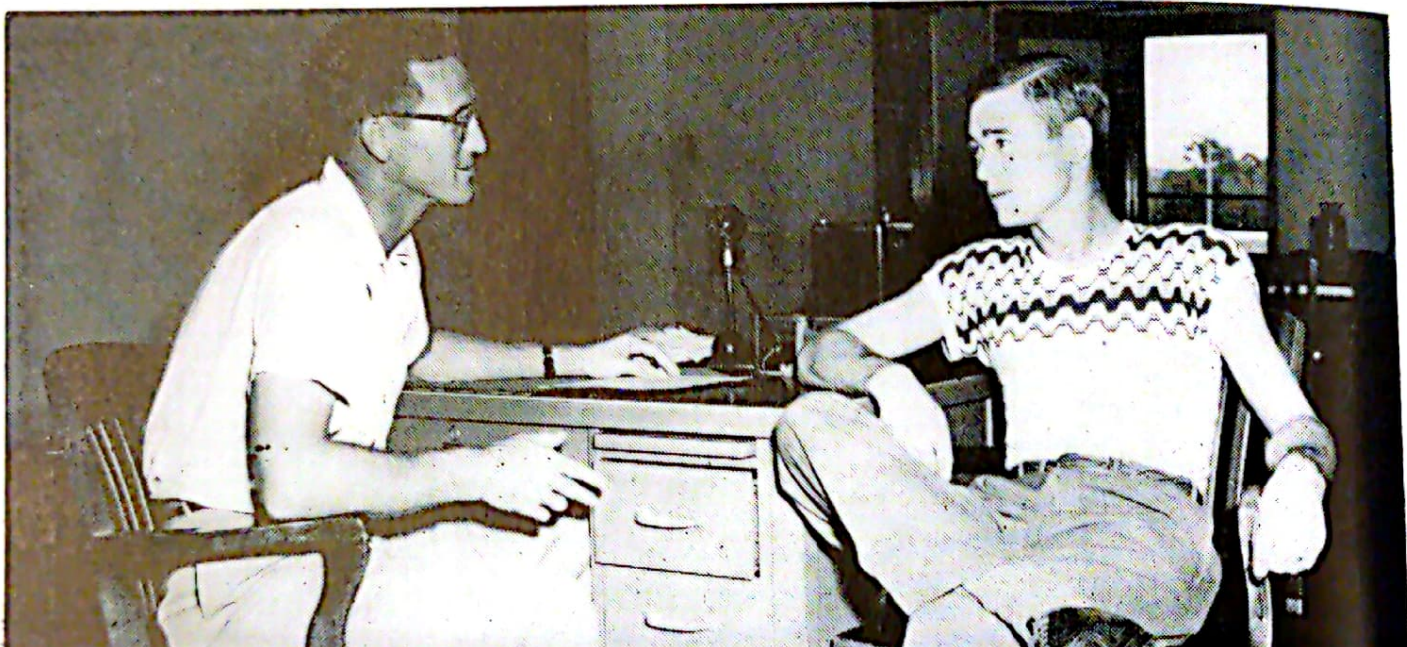


Applicant fills out application blank. (This is Frank Carmichael, Jr., of White Pine, Tenn., now a spinner.)

Later, if an opening comes up in a department—and our prospective employee seems to be most suitable—and if the job cannot be filled from within—he is called in, interviewed by the appropriate department head and foremen, and told about Company policies.

After successful completion of a physical examination, the applicant is placed on the payroll . . . and becomes a new standard-bearer for American Enka.

A brief preliminary interview at the time application form is completed.





Investigation reveals applicant has good record and will make a good employee, based on previous experience.

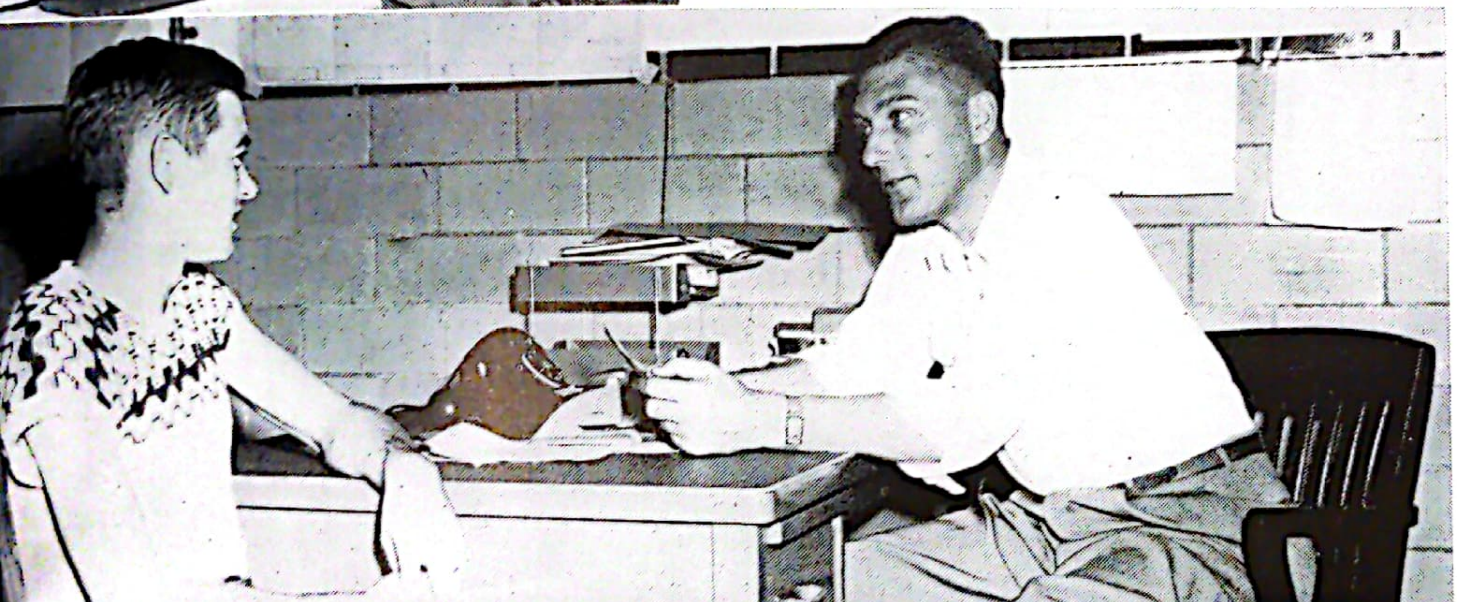


After investigation, the application is filed until a department head requests an employee.



The investigator then contacts the applicant and asks him to come to the plant for an interview.

Applicant is interviewed by his department head-to-be and if found suitable, both by him and the foreman-to-be, is hired.

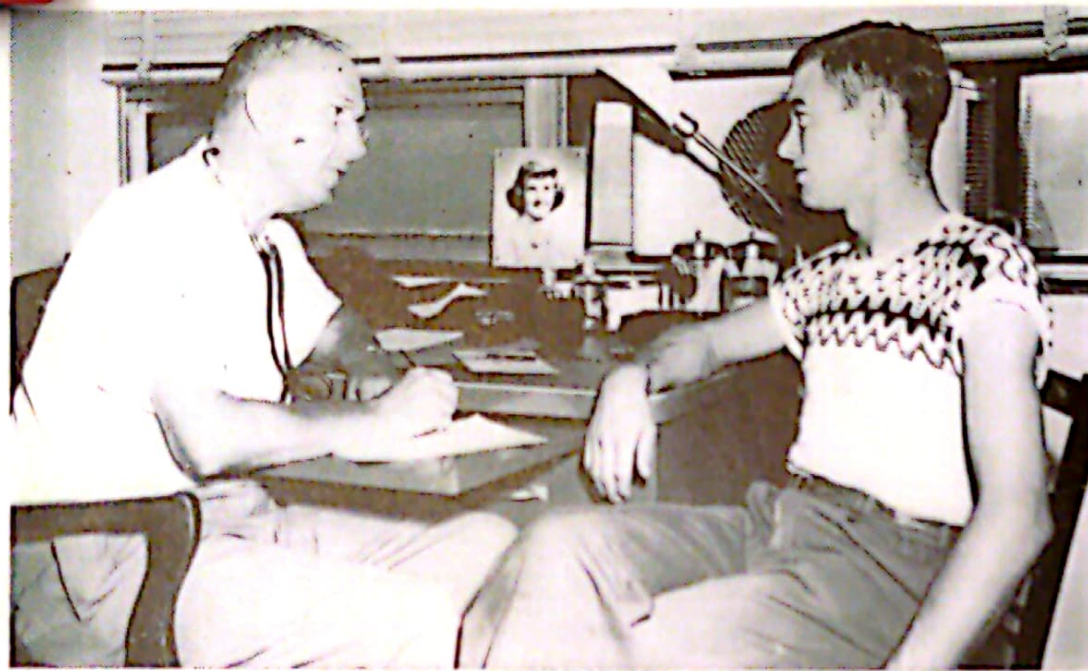




Foreman-to-be takes the applicant on the job and discusses job duties, requirements, scheduling, equipment, etc.



The employment supervisor then calls in the new man and discusses with him personnel policies and benefits of the Company.



A medical examination is given by the plant physician. This is a strict Company requirement and must be successfully passed before employment is completed.



Final step in the process comes when the new employee reports for work at the gate and picks up his time card so he can "punch in"—as a new member of of the Enka team.

FACTS AND FACES

Ronald Bailey, Gene Brooks Win Freshman Scholarships to A B C

Ronald Eugene Bailey of Alexander and Cecil Eugene Brooks of Enka have been awarded the 1952-53 American Enka freshmen scholarships to Asheville-Biltmore College, Dr. Glenn L. Bushey, president of the college, recently announced.

Mr. Bailey is the son of Clifford Bailey of the Enka Plant Spool Spinning Section, and Mr. Brooks is the son of C. H. Brooks, Shipping Dept.

These scholarships are two of four \$200 scholarships awarded annually by American Enka. Two go to freshmen and two to sophomores.

Holders of the freshmen scholarships may continue to benefit from them during their second college year provided they do acceptable work and maintain proper conduct.

This year's winners were quite active in their respective high schools,

Mr. Bailey at Red Oak High and Mr. Brooks at Sand Hill.

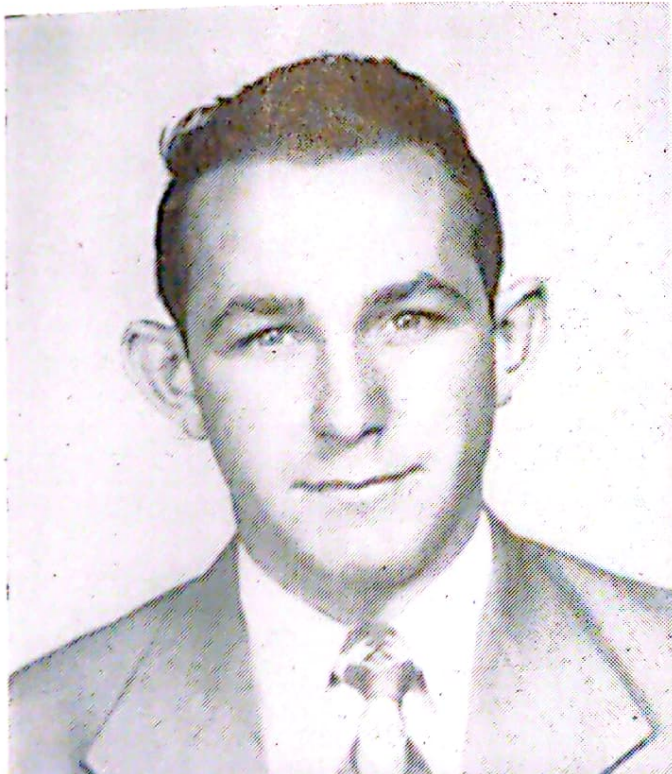
Mr. Bailey, with a scholastic average of 90.2, was a member of the Dramatics, Monogram, Future Farmers of America, and 4-H Clubs. Mr. Brooks belonged to the Y. A. C. and 4-H Clubs and completed his high school work with a B+ mark.

Both students also were versatile athletes—Mr. Bailey participating on Red Oak's basketball, baseball, and track squads, and Mr. Brooks on Sand Hill's football, basketball, baseball, and track teams.

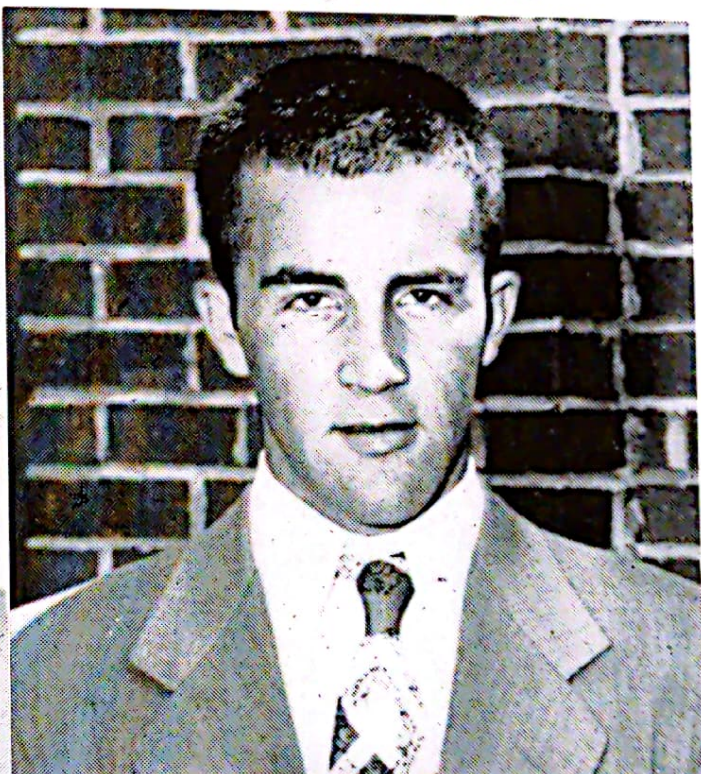
To be eligible for an Enka scholarship, the young man or woman must be a child of an Enka employee.

Candidates are selected on the basis of scholarship, need, character, citizenship, and leadership by a committee appointed by the college president.

Ronald Eugene Bailey



Cecil Eugene Brooks



Enka, U.T.W.A. Local 2598 Sign Company-Paid Pension Program

American Enka and Local 2598, United Textile Workers of America (A. F. L.), last month signed an agreement providing a Company-paid pension plan for hourly employees at the Enka Plant.

Signing of the agreement concluded arrangements that have been in the making since the Company and Union negotiated a new three-year contract last May.

Under the pension plan, hourly-paid employees retiring with 10 or more years' service at age 65 will receive a life-time monthly income equal to \$1 for each year of service, up to a maximum of \$30 a month.

A "five year certain" clause guarantees at least five years of pension benefits so that if an eligible employee dies after reaching 65 but before receiving the equivalent of 60 monthly payments, the remaining benefits will be paid to his survivors.

Joseph Jacobs of Atlanta, Southern director of U. T. W. A., commented at the signing of the pact at the George Vanderbilt Hotel in Asheville, "We are very happy to sign this pension agreement here today. We think it is a very fine one—in fact, one of the finest in the industry."

Plant Manager E. M. Salley, Jr., said "although Enka has been operating for 24 years, we are just now beginning to have groups of employees reaching retirement age. But as more and more of our people begin

to look forward to retirement, we are happy to supplement their own personal savings and social security benefits."

He added that the plan will go into effect upon formal approval by various governmental agencies in Washington.

Lowland Plant Employee Dies of Asphyxiation

Billy T. Thompson, 22, a Lowland Plant employee, died Aug. 15 of asphyxiation after he was overcome by chemical fumes while working in a storage tank.

Father of a two-weeks-old daughter, Mr. Thompson was seized almost immediately with respiratory paralysis caused by the fumes.

He was rushed to Nabers Clinic in Morristown, Tenn., where a respirator and adrenalin failed to revive him.

Joe Q. Dougherty, director of plant industrial relations, said Mr. Thompson apparently was unaware that the tank contained poisonous fumes when he entered.

Ordinarily the tanks, used for storing a bisulfide chemical, become aired out within a few days.



Billy Thompson



Mr. Zerfoss

Lester F. Zerfoss Joins Company; Will Formulate Employee Development

Lester F. Zerfoss, formerly with Detroit-Edison in Michigan, has joined American Enka to head up a Company-wide program of employee training and development.

Mr. Zerfoss has been assigned, effective Aug. 1, to the General Industrial Relations Dept. and assumes the newly-established position of staff assistant to the director, General Industrial Relations Dept., in charge of employee development.

A native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Mr. Zerfoss has an impressive background in education and industry.

Holding degrees from Pennsylvania State College and the University of Texas, Mr. Zerfoss has taught at the University of Detroit and University of Texas and rose from high school

instructor to superintendent of schools while in the public school system in Lucerne County, Pennsylvania.

He received his industrial training at General Motors Institute at Flint, Mich., and while at Detroit-Edison was in charge of supervisory development.

Mr. Zerfoss is married and has two children.

Nine New Appointments Announced by Company

The following recent appointments were announced last month by the Company.

D. W. Lynch to newly created position of supervisor, Industrial Relations Research Section, General Industrial Relations Dept., effective March 19.

Kenneth J. Scarlett to newly created position of supervisor, Salary Administration Section, General Industrial Relations Dept., effective March 19.

H. L. Owen, Jr., to the newly created position of assistant plant industrial engineer (Enka Plant), effective July 21.

H. H. Patton, Jr., to standards engineer, Processing Section, Plant Industrial Engineering Dept. (Enka), effective July 21.

Dave Beatty to methods project engineer, Methods Engineering Section, General Industrial Engineering Dept., effective July 30.

John K. Hanson to advertising and promotion manager (New York office), effective Aug. 1.

Claude L. Hayden to newly created position of assistant sales manager (New York office), effective Aug. 1.

J. K. Whisnant to newly created position of assistant leader, Engineering Unit, Research Engineering Section, effective Aug. 4.

Jack W. Prickett to editor, Enka VOICE, General Industrial Relations Dept., effective Aug. 25.

What's Your Freedom Worth?

A COUPLE of years ago the United States and her allies went to Korea.

They went to Korea to tell a band of Communist aggressors they were a little out of line in trying to jam their credo and way of living down the throats of an unwilling people.

That move is costing us money—plenty of money—to say nothing of the drain on our supply of young men and women.

But we in America happen to think that the cause of freedom and decency for every human being everywhere . . . is worth buying . . . at whatever cost.

One way each of us can help finance our philosophy and keep Communist armies from storming the gates of Chicago or running rough-shod over the people of Centerville, O., or strafing our wives and children on the streets of Asheville or Morristown is by buying defense bonds.

Purchasing these bonds doesn't mean we're giving our money away—though for the principles of peace and justice it wouldn't be a bad endowment.

It does mean, however, that we not only can help our sons and daughters . . . and the sons and daughters of our friends and relatives . . . to become the best equip-

ped fighters in the world, but that we can afford ourselves a convenient way of saving.

A recent survey by the University of Michigan shows why—in order of preference—an industrial employee buys Defense Bonds:

- 1) He knows absolutely that his bonds will be paid in full at his request.
- 2) He knows the Payroll Savings Plan helps him save "before I can get my hands on it."
- 3) He knows the bonds pay a good rate of interest over a long period of time.
- 4) He knows the bonds actually are cash which he can have any time he wants.
- 5) He knows that bonds stolen, lost, or destroyed can be replaced.

American Enka has offered its help in a payroll Savings Bond Drive scheduled for September.

During that time, let's all step up to the cashiers' windows at the plants and say . . . "I kinda like the way things are here in America . . . think I'll just sponsor a share of freedom myself. How about putting me on the payroll deduction plan?"

The cashier will . . . and you'll walk away feeling pretty good about it . . . and pretty darn proud of yourself.

The Stork Club



Old Man Stork is riding along in great style these days. Last month he was nice enough to drop off 41 new babies to Enka employee families, including a special dividend to Lowland's William J. Bryant. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant are bustin' out all over with pride at the arrival of twin daughters, Vickie Faye and Vaughnda Kaye. Congrats to all parents and newcomers.

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Mrs. Jean Collins, Microscopical Lab, son, David Charles, June 23.
Mrs. Aileen Vaughn, Microscopical

Lab, daughter, Marcia Ann, July 13.
Eugene F. Love, Chemical Lab, son,
Eugene F., Jr., July 14.
Willie Burrell, Slashing, son, Gary
Alexander, July 16.
R. W. Cothorn, Cafeteria, daughter,
Rebecca Sue, July 19.
Donald Riddle, Air Conditioning,
son, James Neil, July 22.
M. H. Plemmons, Pot Spinning
Maintenance, son, Rickie Dale, July
25.
James R. Penland, Spinning, daughter,
Doris Jill, July 27.
James Plemmons, Spinning, daughter,
Ella Kathryn, July 31.
Luther Smith, Jr., Yard, son, Frank
Thomas, Aug. 4.
Grover C. Allen, Jr., Chemical Lab,
daughter, Donna Elaine, Aug. 4.
Otis Ellerbe, Yard, daughter, Maxine,
Aug. 5.
H. H. Morgan, Yard, son Michael
Steven, Aug. 6.
C. W. Brooks, Spool Spinning, son,
Franklin Vernon, Aug. 7.
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SHOWING THE WAY . . . These Gallon Club members, meaning those employees who have given at least a gallon of blood in the current American Red Cross blood drive, include, left to right: W. V. Walker, William A. Peebles, Jr., Thomas L. King, B. Y. Morris, Marguerite Cooke, Wilson Stockton, Lucy Allison, Tom Crook, Eldridge Young, Mark Jones, and Howard Perrits. The next bloodmobile visit to the Enka Plant is Sept. 3.



Free Tickets Provided To "Thunderland" Drama

Through an arrangement by the Company, many American Enka employees last month got to see Western North Carolina's new outdoor historical drama "Thunderland," Hubert Hayes' epic story of the life of Daniel Boone.

Each employee buying one or more tickets to the performance was given one \$1.80 ticket or credit of \$1.80 toward a more expensive seat.

About 250 tickets were provided by the Company on this basis.

All the profits of the production—presented in Asheville's new Forest Amphitheater off Long Shoals Rd.—go to Asheville-Biltmore College.

By providing these free tickets, the Company hoped it not only could contribute to the college's educational program, but enable more of its em-

ployees to enjoy an evening of top-flight entertainment.

Lowland Plant Picnics Feature Carnival Theme

As the VOICE goes to press, reports from the annual Lowland Plant picnics at Cherokee Park say they're proving to be the best ever!

This year's affair—which got under way Aug. 21 and is continuing through Aug. 30—features the carnival idea—complete with a midway and antics of a red-haired clown.

There appears to be plenty to eat, as usual, including chicken, potato salad, ice cream, and soft drinks. Bingo prizes consist of percolators, dripolators, coffee pots, blankets, fishing reels, and cases of soft drinks.

Watch for the next issue of the VOICE for a pictorial story of the gala event.

A ROUND OF APPLAUSE is due this Enka Plant Electric Shop crew for achieving a record of five years without a lost-time accident. To commemorate this outstanding safety accomplishment, the force last month got together for a luncheon party at the Hominy Valley Horse and Hound Club grounds.



'Changeable' Cherubs

(Continued from Page 17)

F. R. Capps, Spinning, son, Phillip Baxter, Aug. 8.
 Mrs. Harold Parris, Textile Lab, son, Ray Allen, Aug. 8.
 R. K. Kirby, Plant Engineering, son, Dale Melvin, Aug. 11.
 Walter T. Batts, General Engineering, son, Albert Franklin, Aug. 16.
 Robert Cheadle, Plant Engineering, son, Bryon Randolph, Aug. 19.

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Wayne S. Wells, Machine Shop, son, Wilbur S., April 27.
 Clayton D. Holt, Metal and Lead, son, William, June 23.
 E. C. Lewis, Chemical Lab, daughter, Helen Estelle, June 23.
 John C. Taylor, Building Maintenance, son, George C., June 24.
 Joe Edmonds, Jr., Textile, daughter, Janice Faye, June 25.
 Lester E. Hodge, Spinning, daughter, Judy Kay, June 27.
 K. E. Hull, Salvage, daughter, Angela Dianne, July 4.
 John L. Collins, Spinning, son, Donald Allen, July 5.
 Burnett P. Hall, Instrument, daughter, July 6.
 A. R. Zollars, Electric, daughter, Jan Ellen, July 7.
 H. F. Kirkpatrick, Pipe Shop, daughter, Elizabeth Regena, July 7.
 Billy T. Thompson, Lead Shop, daughter, Debra Darlene, July 7.
 J. H. Andes, Spinning, son, Jackie Gale, July 12.
 D. K. Myers, Salvage, son, Stanley Eugene, July 16.
 J. D. Tripp, Spinning, daughter, Janice Sue, July 17.
 S. Gregg Dawson, Machine Shop, daughter, Cathy Diane, July 17.
 William J. Bryant, Textile, twin

daughters, Vickie Faye and Vaughnda Kaye, July 19.
 Ben H. Miller, Textile, daughter, Donna Kay, July 20.
 Robert Atchley, Chemical son, William Forrest, July 20.
 Roy Stroud, Textile, daughter, Billie Carol, July 20.
 John T. Bible, Chemical, daughter Elizabeth Ann, July 27.

Cupid's Corner



The editor was caught; our Leap Year crusade has worked!

Congrats to all couples and best wishes for happiness and success.

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Helen Rice, Twisting, and Howard Jones, July 5.
 Edna Praytor, Coning, and Williard Ruth, July 26.
 Jack W. Prickett, General Industrial Relations, and Eveline McDaris, Aug. 22.

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Jack Deering, Finishing, and Margaret Price, Feb. 17.
 Dwain Holt, Pipe Shop, and Nancy Davidson, July 9.
 C. E. Roberts, Jr., Engineering, and Gladys Green, Textile, July 26.
 E. E. Rhoads, Chemical, and Evelyn Howington, Aug. 7.

SCOTCH LOGIC

Immigration officer: "You're a Canadian. You were born in Canada."

Scotchman: "No, sir! My father and mother were Scotch, so I'm Scotch."

Officer: "You were born in Canada. So you're a Canadian, even if your parents were Scotch."

Scotchman (heatedly): "Well, if a cat had kittens in an oven would you call them biscuits?"

Pioneers Toss Maiden Fling!

ABOUT 180 Enka Pioneers got together Aug. 8 at the Hominy Valley Horse and Hound Club grounds and had themselves a hum-dinger of a picnic.

It was the first outing for the old-timers since they met March 13 at the Enka Lake Club and launched the Pioneers' Club, establishing as the

sole requirement for eligibility 20 years' service with the Company.

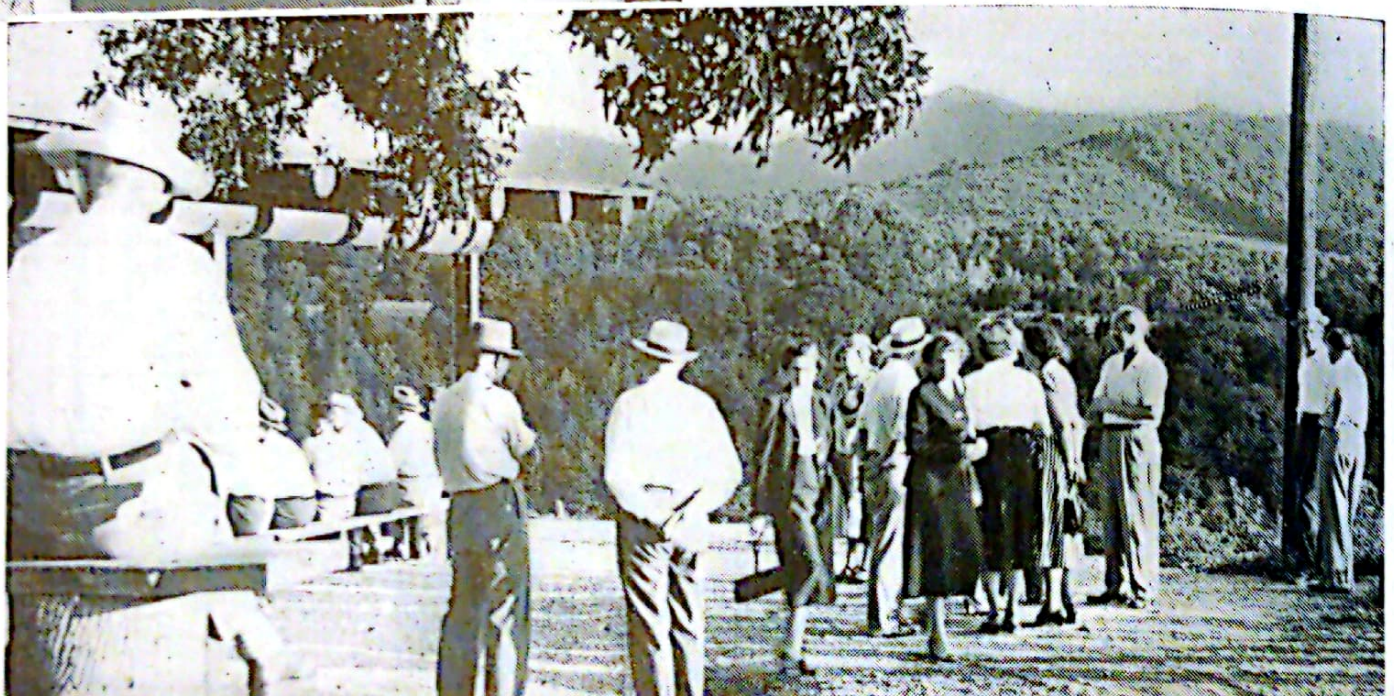
The picnic menu included hamburgers, fashioned by E. M. Salley, Jr., Enka Plant manager, green beans, cole slaw, coffee, cokes, and other sundry trimmings. Food was donated by the Company.

Gerrit Spaanbroek, Club president, said he was pleased at the feeling of conviviality prevailing among the Pioneers who busied themselves meeting fellow Pioneers and chatting about old times.

A meeting after the picnic was highlighted by an address by William A. Egerton and adoption of a by-law giving automatic Club membership to all retired employees.

Left: Plant Manager E. M. Salley, Jr., ably assisted by Mrs. Kitty Pope, took over the culinary chores.

The Hominy Valley Horse and Hound Club grounds, overlooking Enka Lake and surrounded by beautiful mountains, proved ideal for the picnic.





Above: A feeling of good will and sincere warmth prevailed among the Pioneers. Pictured, left to right, top row: J. E. Tinker, Glenn Brooks, Homer Clark, Franklin Black, and Sam Mann. Bottom row: Dewey Poore, Robert Ayers, Lee Teague, McKay Dryman, and Charley Sanford.



Right: Representing 80 years' service are these two employee-couples: Clifton and June Conrad, left, and Bill and Kitty Pope.

Below: Distaff Pioneers had a good time, too . . . particularly enjoying a brief respite from the kitchen. Left to right: Mrs. Marion Trent, Mrs. Sue Swanson, Miss Belle Edmonds, Miss Opal Morgan, Mrs. Grace Scroggs, Miss Norma DeAth, and Mrs. Margaret Garrett.

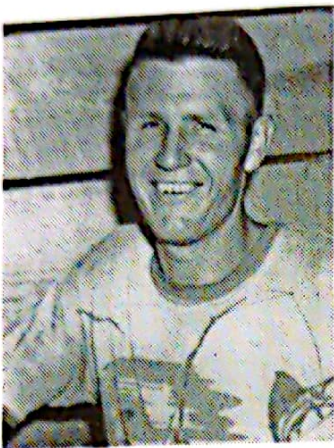


Fireworks? Martians? Evil Reconnaissance?

What Do You Think



LLOYD WILLKIE, Enka Pipe Shop: "It's all a lot of stuff. I don't think they're little men from Mars, and I don't think they're Russians getting ready to attack this country. I've never seen any yet, and although I don't think they're anything to get excited about, I'd just as soon not see any."



Earl Clontz

EARL CLONTZ, Enka Warehouse Receiving: "I think it's a matter of somebody who's had one drink too many."

CLAYTON HOLT, Lowland Sheet Metal: "There really might be something to these saucers. I believe there are some kind of flying objects—or else the pilots would not have reported seeing them. But I have no kind of idea as to what they are."



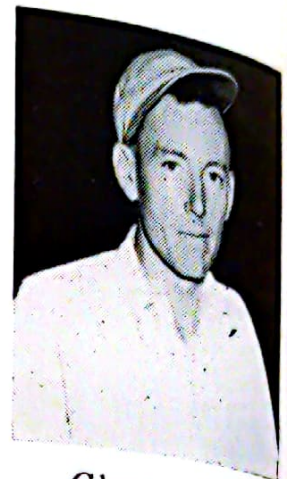
M. V. Burress

M. V. BURRESS, Enka Instrument Shop: "It's a lot of baloney. Somebody has seen something and got a little too excited. They're probably meteors . . . or something on the order of a falling star."

C. W. PENLAND, Enka Spinning: "They're something somebody cooked up in his own mind. It's pure imagination. I've been around these parts a long time and haven't seen anything yet in the way of flying saucers. With all this talk of war, people naturally get scared."



Lloyd Willkie

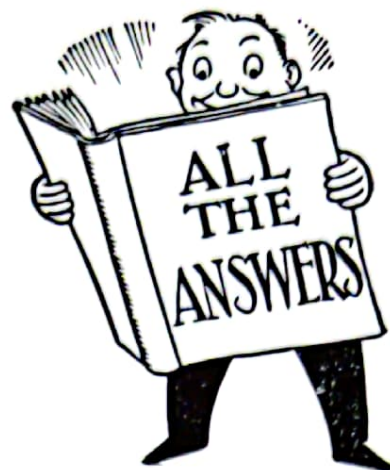


Clayton Holt



C. W. Penland

Flying Saucers Are?



B. W. Morgan

B. W. MORGAN, Lowland Building Maintenance: "I just don't know. I've thought a lot about the reports—but I just don't have any kind of idea. I don't hardly believe that they are from out of space or from another planet. But I do hope to see one since so many people have seen them."

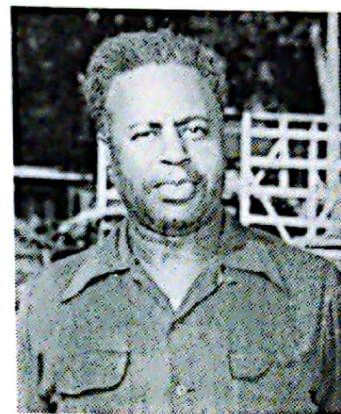
some country is putting them out for experimental purposes. But there's no need for alarm . . . and yet . . . at the same time . . . you never can tell. But if they were evil, it seems to me something evil would have happened by now."



Fred Kuykendall

FRED KUYKENDALL, Lowland Finishing: "I haven't seen any flying saucers or mysterious objects. I really don't have any idea what they are. I believe they must be man-made objects—something with which someone is trying to create a little excitement. I think they must be made by some man on earth."

MISS LETHIA DAVIS, Enka Slashing: "I think they're baby airplanes shot from bigger airplanes that some foreign country is sending over. It's a warning of some kind of attack. There's somebody in them, all right, and if they're just atmospheric conditions, why haven't people seen them for years before? You'd think if they were just some disturbance in the air that people would have seen them for years—even centuries—past. I don't think the atmosphere is changing with time, do you?"



Fred Clayton



Miss Davis

Mountain Heritage . . .

THEY swept in from the coastal plains, ascended the Appalachians, and lived an existence of hardship and austerity.

But from a wellspring of simple ingenuity, guts, and hardened biceps, they tempered—in their own silent, forceful way—a life that fashioned the fruit of mountain soil and animal life into a fascinating culture.

It was rough-hewn, of course, and quite fanciless compared to Twentieth Century methods, bathtubs, and television, but nonetheless gratifying to these determined pioneers.

These people were craftsmen—men and women who worked with their hands—men and women who took deep pride in their creativeness. Though no plush extravagance touched their isolated homes, it seems likely they would look lamentably upon the manufactured luxury that marks present-day living.

The panoramic pageant that was the lives and works of these craftsmen unfolded before the visitor of the Fifth Annual Craftsman's Fair July 21 through 25 in Asheville's City Auditorium.

From demonstrations there, a pro-
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Left: Mrs. Viola Wilds, above, representing the Stuart Nye Silver Shop of Asheville, fashions a pine cone bracelet from sterling silver, while Zane Belcher, below, a student at Berea College, Berea, Ky., weaves a broom from broom corn.





*Mr. William Bader of West Asheville displays the art of maquetry—
inlaid veneer work on different
kinds of wood.*



*A Cherokee Indian woman with
grace and speed demonstrates one of
the oldest of Indian crafts—basket-
weaving.*

Miss Edith Sluder of Warren Wilson College weaves a hand bag.



duct of the present generation—a generation captivated by electronics and atomic energy . . . a generation that glorifies the machine . . . could not help but be dazzled at the skill and dexterity of these early settlers.

Most of the craftsmen at the Fair learned their weaving, woodcarving, spinning, pottery, leatherwork, and other crafts from their fathers, who in turn had been taught by their fathers, the hardy gentlemen who defied privation and poverty to forge a good life for themselves and their families.

These forerunning Southern Highlanders grew flax for linen and raised sheep for their wool. They made dyes from walnut hulls hemlock bark, and coreopsis flowers; and tanned hides for harnesses and shoes. They found at their doorsteps materials for pottery, brooms, and furniture.

But besides necessities, these re-

A potter for 50 years, W. B. Stephen of Arden, N. C., prepares, turns, and decorates clay. His favorite design is the cameo.



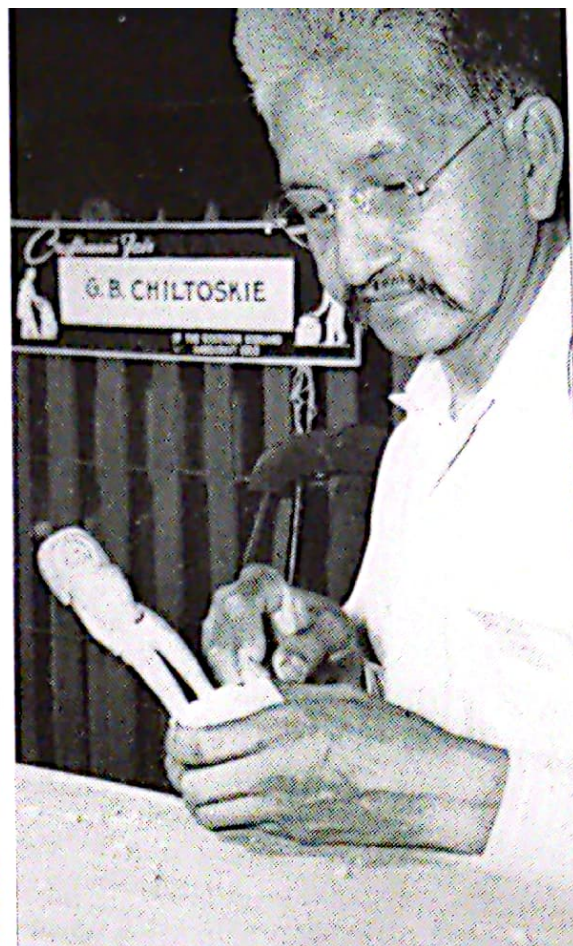
Walter Cornelison's skill in making pottery comes from a family tradition. His great grandfather started the Cornelison Pottery Company at Bythel, Ky., nearly 150 years ago.

sourceful people transformed a creative impulse and sense of aesthetics into jewelry, ornaments, and trinkets of unique design and beauty.

They made dogwood flower broaches from silver, bowls from beaten copper, fans from feathers, dolls and horses from corn shucks, boutonniers from pine burrs, and bucking mules and rooting razorback hogs from holly or dogwood.

Presented annually by the Southern Handicraft Guild, the Craftsman's Fair reflects the tireless effort of countless people who for several years have sought to preserve the rich heritage of Highland craftsmanship.

With more and more institutions and special schools now teaching these early arts and skills, restoration of this scene of the old Appalachian tradition now appears permanent.



Mrs. Emma Conley, left, of Penland, N. C., spins wool on an old flax wheel, while Watty Chiltoskie, right, applies a carver's touch to wood.

The Hall Brothers, J. H., left; and A. B., right, picked up their woodcarving skill at the John C. Campbell Folk School, Brasstown, N. C. They like to do mules, elephants, and mountain rooters (razorback hogs).



Courageous Mother

AT some time in each of our lives, adversity pops up and punches us right on the button.

We either absorb the blow, regroup, and install fresh adjustments; or we reel floorward and permit despair to seep in and make us parasites of self-pity.

Unfortunately, with many of us unwilling to chuck our emotional rompers, we elect the former alternative, bow before despondency and indifference, and wink at the course requiring least effort.

On the other side of the fence—fortunately, we have those who bite their lips, brush away a few tears and dive right back into this big job of tempering out a satisfying life.

One of these persons is Mrs. Joe (named after her father) Rash, for nearly 10 years an Enka Plant Slashing Dept. employee.

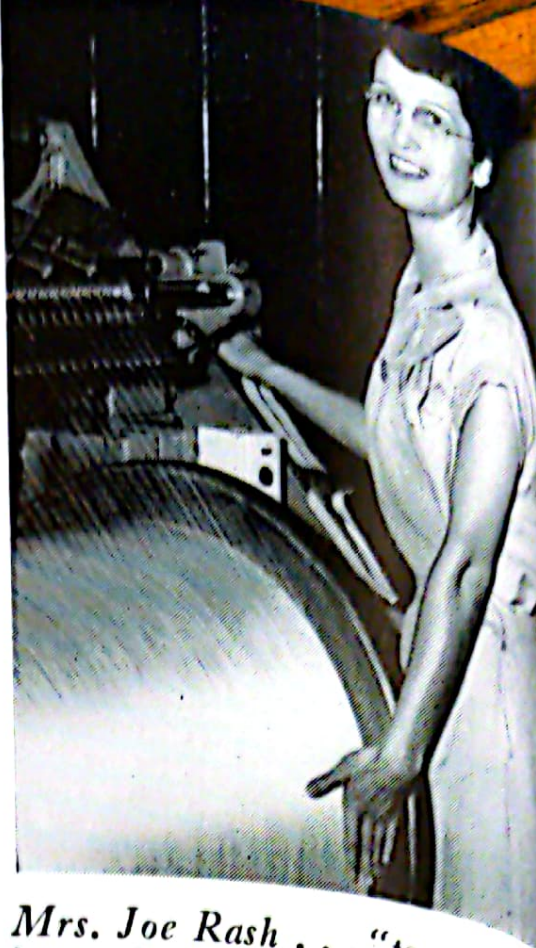
Last October Mrs. Rash's husband, Ezell, then of the Spinning Dept., contracted a serious lung condition which forced him to give up his job.

The Rashs had three children in school—Joan, then 19, in Mars Hill College studying home economics; and Donald, 17, and Barbara, 15, both in Lee Edwards High at Asheville.

The family was in debt on their home, and Mr. Rash soon was confined to bed, completely unable to contribute to family welfare.

This is when Mrs. Rash brushed away a few tears and rolled up her sleeves. Steadfastly she clung to the family controls and welded her three children and stricken husband into a persevering little unit.

She insisted her children remain in school, and she insisted on paying her bills and meeting her obligations.



Mrs. Joe Rash . . . "tragedy into triumph."

"I watched my pennies—literally," she said, "and patches took the place of new clothes. Ezell's friends in the Spinning Dept. took up collections which were a big help and for which I am truly grateful.

"I worked hard and so did my children who took part-time work. We stuck together . . . and now after almost a year . . . we are beginning to see daylight."

Hope and faith persist in the heart of the pretty young mother, who incredibly belies her 38 years, and, despite being caught off guard so early in life, she has retained a sense of humor and a refreshingly unaffected ardor for living.

To say that Mrs. Rash is made of stern stuff is inadequate. Rather, she personifies the belief that determination and hard work, faith and love . . . will convert tragedy into triumph faster than anything known to man.

SPORTS & RECREATION

Enka Square Dancing Couple Judged 'Most Graceful' at Dance, Folk Festival

Enka's dance team joined in the Silver Anniversary program of the annual Mountain Dance and Folk Festival last month in Asheville. The group failed to win a team award but did capture the "best caller" and "most graceful couple" titles.

Bruce Beaver was named "best caller" on opening night, and he and his partner, Miss Peggy Goode, were acclaimed the "most graceful" couple.

The team danced to the music of the Lunsford String Band and received many bursts of applause from

the record opening night crowd of 3000.

On Aug. 20 the folk dancers appeared in exhibition at the Aquatic School of the American Red Cross at Camp Carolina, Brevard, where they were received enthusiastically by several hundred campers from 18 states.

As the VOICE goes to press, the team is preparing for the Carolina Mountain Dance, a feature of the North Carolina Apple Harvest Festival in Hendersonville.

CIRCLE OF FOUR was one of the many figures executed by the Enka dance team in the annual Mountain Dance and Folk Festival last month in Asheville. The Enka team staged a crowd-pleasing performance before an opening night audience of 3000 as the Festival celebrated its 25th Anniversary.



Beaverdam, Pole Creek Baseball Squads Pocket '52 Boys League Championships

The two summer baseball Leagues for boys of the Enka Plant community came to a close last week when Beaverdam won the Midget League championship and Pole Creek the Junior League crown.

More than 200 boys took part in the Leagues which were begun in June under the direction of Sam Patton.

The Midget League enjoyed its most successful season since it was organized in 1948. Interest was at a high peak all season, and since the teams represented various communities in the area, they played on a more competitive basis and aroused more spectator spirit.

The most exciting finish came in the Midget League. For most of the season the Luther nine, ably managed by Neville Brown of Textile Maintenance, rolled along in high gear and seemed headed for the championship.

Lee Farmer Changes Picture

About mid-season, Lee Farmer, a youngster who plays in the Junior League, took over the reins of Beaverdam which had been a floor mat for other league members. The picture began to change.

Beaverdam turned in one win after another under Farmer's guidance and went down the line neck and neck with Luther. The end of the schedule found the two clubs tied with 11 wins and 7 losses, and a playoff

was necessary to determine the crown-bearer.

Beaverdam, paced by pitcher Ronnie Towe with a 7-2 season record, won two of the three games for the championship and then licked the All-Star team 17-16 for a total sweep of honors.

Upper Hominy, managed by Fred Parker, finished third with a 9-9 mark, and Village, with Charlie Foster as skipper, finished in last place with a 5-13 record.

Joe Morgan Paces Hitters

Joe Morgan of Upper Hominy was leading hitter with a .583 mark. Don Moore of Luther followed with .457, and Ray Pressley of the same team turned in a .451 clip.

Pole Creek had an easier time winning the Junior League title. Its chief strength was in pitcher Jimmy King who had things pretty well his way in winning seven games against no losses. The team won 11 of 17 contests. Bobby Netherton captained the crew.

Finishing in a tie for second place were Beaverdam and Village. Each collected eight wins and lost nine. Luther's 7-10 mark put them in the cellar.

The Junior League's top slugger was Tommy Miller of Beaverdam who hit a neat .423. Marvin Guy of the same club was runner-up with .387, and Fred Parker was next at .377.

Enka, Lowland Linksmen Drive, Putt to Tie-Match

The battle for the Little Brown Jug, symbolic of the golf championship of the Enka and Lowland plants, raged on last month with the second battle of the current series played Aug. 2 on the Beaver Lake Course. It ended in a 24-all tie, under Nassau scoring.

Enka won the first match played

during June at the Asheville Country Club. A third match has been scheduled Sept. 6 at Holston Hills in Knoxville.

Should the Enka swingers capture a decision on Sept. 6, they will receive the Jug which last year was won by Lowland. On the other hand, should Lowland emerge victorious, a "rubber" match will be scheduled later in September and played at the Waynesville Country Club.

MANY ENKA FOLKS are becoming enthusiastic followers of polo now being played each Saturday on the new field at the Hominy Valley Horse and Hound Club grounds. A natural favorite of local fans is the W. N. C. team which has turned in some fine games against Miami, Fla., and Augusta, Ga., teams. Left to right are: Fred Timm, Jr.; Dr. Art Christian; and Dave Widener.



Dixie Cage Loop to Huddle Sept. 21

Representatives of the Dixie Basketball League will meet at Enka Sept. 21 to complete plans for the 1952-53 cage season.

At the session here the Loop's eight clubs will arrange schedules, admit or decline another team, and award the annual League tournament.

In a meeting at Charlotte in May, members voted to play a home-and-home schedule with all loop teams and to play the schedule between Dec. 1 and Feb. 14.

An application for membership has

Enka Rayonites Take Third In Industrial Loop Playoffs

After finishing third in the Industrial League Baseball Circuit's regular season, the Enka Rayonites took third-place honors in the Loop's playoffs at Berkeley.

Enka dropped its first game to Beacon, 11-1, but stayed in the double elimination series with an 8-3 triumph over Ecusta. They lost their third game to Berkeley by a 6-2 tally.

Berkeley, regular season winner with a 34-5 mark, also captured playoff honors with a pair of wins over Beacon and single victories over Ecusta and Enka.

The Rayonites' regular season record was 21 wins and 18 losses. Bill Trull was the workhorse on the mound, finishing with 10 wins and nine losses.

Dick Gudger's .318 batting average was tops, followed by Sam Patton's even .300.

Loss of "Hub" Williams and Sam Patton in the playoffs hurt Enka.

been entered by the Dehart Trucking Company of Hickory, and the fate of this would-be entry will be decided at the meeting.

'D' Shift Spinners Sizzle In Lowland Softball Loop

Bo Leonard's "D" Shift Spinners last month continued to run hot in the Lowland Plant Softball League by adding more victories to their impressive record.

The team now has rolled to 14 triumphs as against a single setback. In games through Aug. 22, their closest rival is Pipe Shop with a 12-4 chalking.

Play will continue in the 11-team circuit throughout this month and playoffs will begin early in October between the top six clubs in a double elimination event. A consolation playoff also will be held for the bottom division outfits.

"D" Shift Spinning recently won an independent softball tournament at Newport and appears to be a good bet to walk off with honors at Lowland.

Complete league standings through Aug. 22 are as follows:

Team	Won	Lost
Spinning "D"	14	1
Pipe Shop	12	4
Chemical "B"	10	4
Chemical "D"	10	5
Millwrights	10	6
Warehouse	8	7
Building Maintenance	8	7
Leadburners	7	7
Spinning "A"	6	8
Spinning "B"	5	11
Chemical Spinning "C"	4	12

Plant Puzzler

ACROSS

1. Type of bachelor eyed by feminine vacationers
9. Skiff
13. Time for rest and fun
14. Against
15. Pieces out
16. Aim of sunbathers
17. Fishing equipment
18. Color of sunburn
19. Garbage
21. Mode of travel
22. Medicine for cuts
26. Indelible mark
29. Place for salt water fishing
30. Breezes
31. Captain of plane
33. Fuss
34. Parts of stoves
35. Household
39. Thickness
40. Golf term
42. Before
45. Walk through water
48. Period of time
49. Boast
50. Way out
51. Type of summer boating
53. Golf equipment

Last Month's Answer

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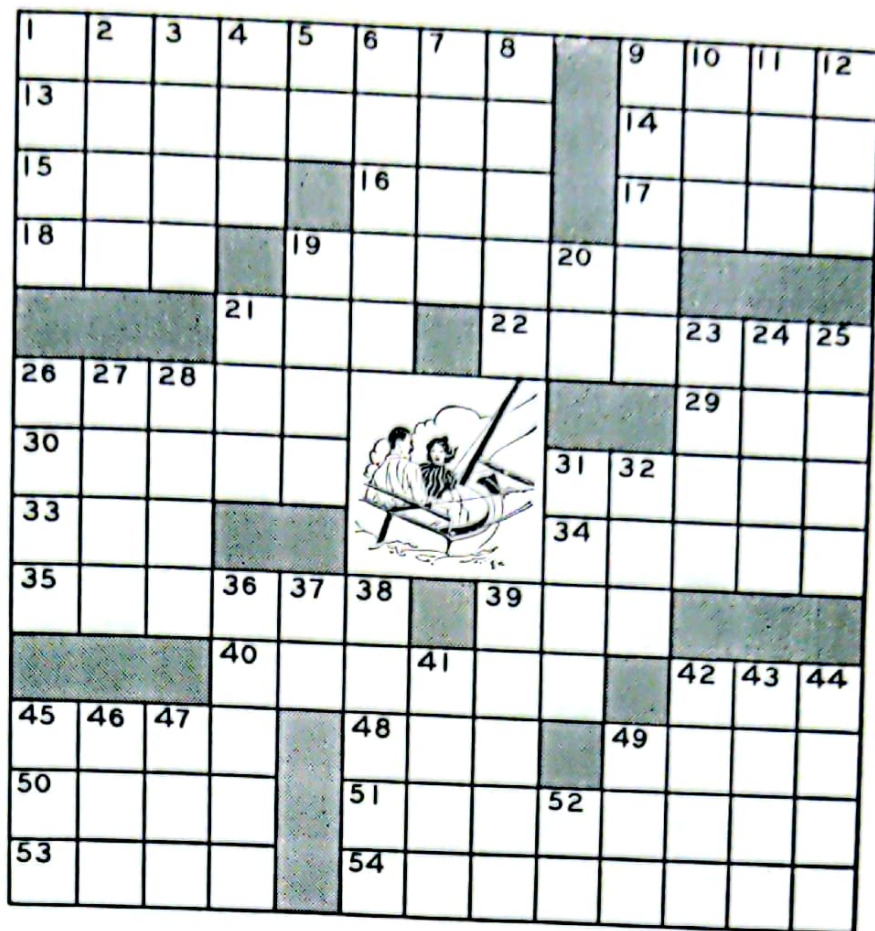
54. Length of average vacation (two words)

DOWN

1. Eternally
2. Enka employees have one near plants
3. Tea is best this way in hot weather
4. Motor fuel
5. Loser in game of tag
6. Mosquito wounds
7. Idle
8. Boredom
9. Uncovered
10. Smallest bill
11. Devoured
12. Until (contraction)
19. Scores in baseball
20. Thus
21. Card term
23. Island
24. Gas used in light-

25. Picnic food
26. Moved through water
27. Ocean phenomenon
28. Soon
31. Fisherman's tool
32. Hiker's danger
36. Encourages
37. Soldier
38. Straight
39. Musical instrument
41. Type of poker
42. One of Great Lakes
43. Military standing
44. Hardboiled for picnic lunches
45. Not dry
46. Tool used by campers
47. Perish
49. Insect
52. Exclamation of pain

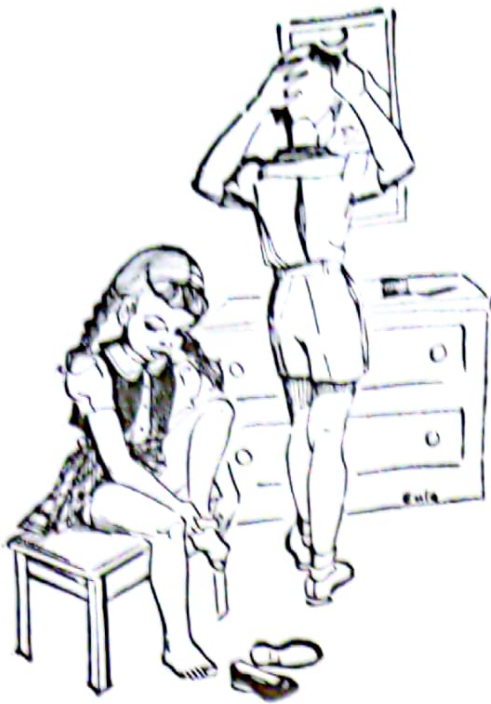
(Answer next month)



Small Frys'

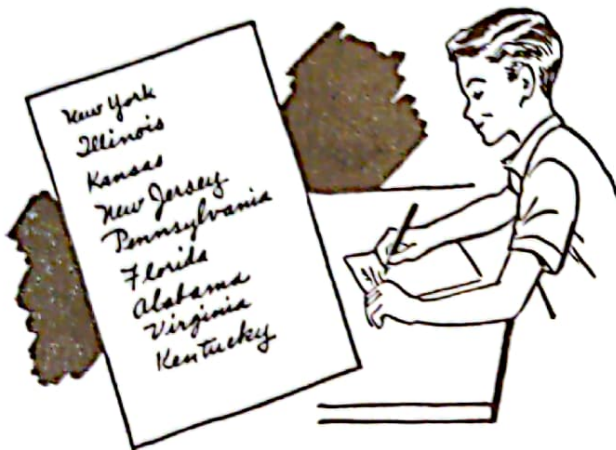
This Is Checker Chuck— A Game You Can Make

Get a big piece of cardboard, such as the top of a suitcase. At one end draw a chart as in Figs. 1 and 2. It is a triangle divided into six parts, each with a number designating its value. Draw some lines outside the forward point of the triangle. On



Make Your Homework A Game That's Fun

This game is called "States" and is for two or more players. You'll need one pencil and a piece of paper. The players take turns. The first writes the name of a state on the paper, then passes it to the next player who also writes the name of a state.



The paper and pencil rotate among the players, each adding a state, until one player is unable to do so and has to drop out. The last player remaining in the group is the winner. The name of any state may be used only one time in a game.

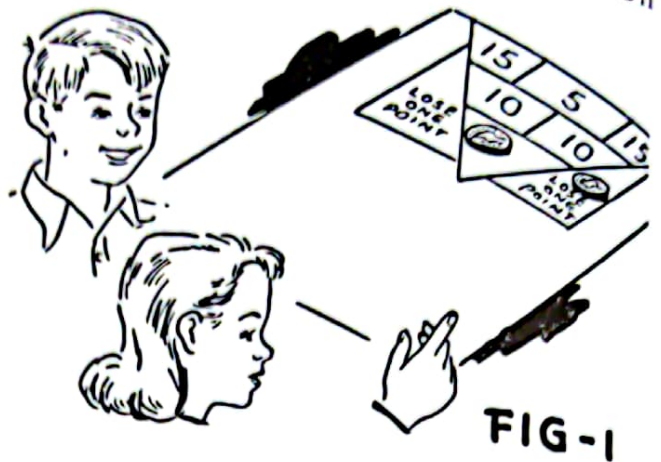


FIG-1

each side print the legend, "Lose One Point."

For "men" use checkers, black for one player, red for the other. Each player must be given two.

Put the game board on the table. Players line their men up at the edge of the cardboard. One at a time they take aim and, with a flip of the finger, chuck a man toward the triangle. The idea is to have the man land on a section of high value.

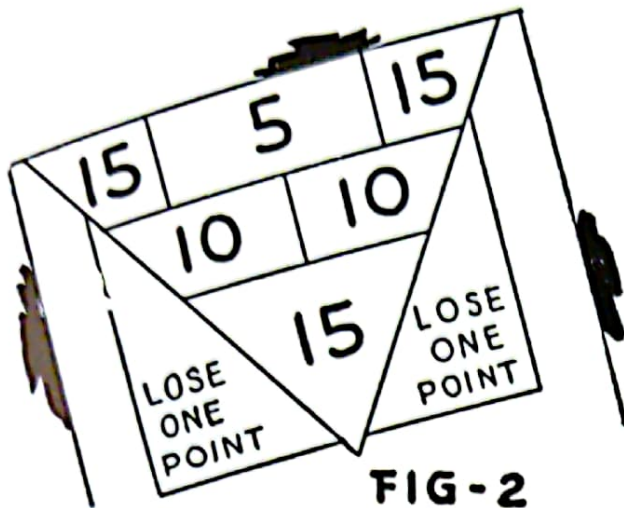
After each player has shot both of his men, figure out the score for that

Answer to Puzzle

The proverb: "One good turn serves another."

playground

round. The first player to get 125 points wins the game. Have your friends in for a game.

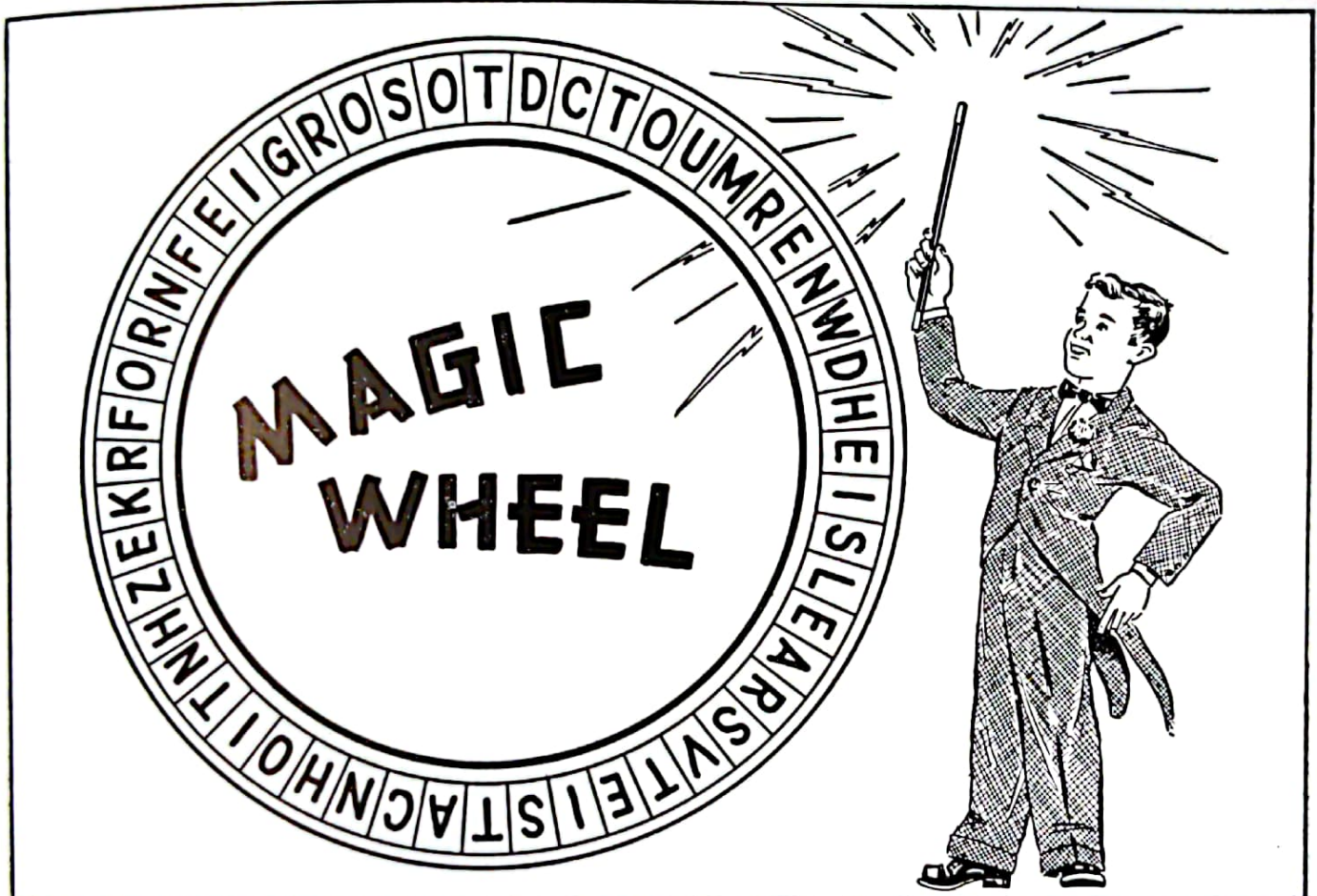


How Many Words?

See how many words you can make from the letters in "arithmetic." Shoot for at least 20.

Can You Find a Famous Five-Word Proverb?

If you start at the right letter and go to every second letter all around the Magic Wheel, you'll discover a well known five-word proverb. Hint: Begin at one of the "O's." The answer is elsewhere on Small Frys' Playground.





FATE OF A FABRIC... *Pert Mrs. Mary Charles Carson of the Lowland Plant Glass Blowing Dept. has her eyes fastened to some beautiful furs at Miller's Dept. Store, Knoxville.*

Mrs. Carson, whose husband, Jimmy, also works at Lowland, is wearing a Larry Aldrich dress in Onondaga's new green tissue faille, woven with Enka Rayon and acetate, both warp and filling.

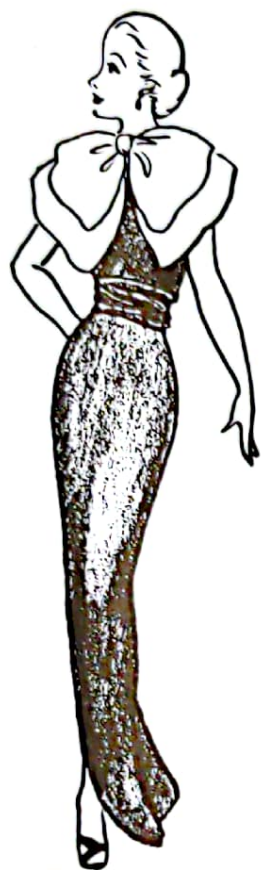
fall fashion forecast

by SUZANNE SCHROETER

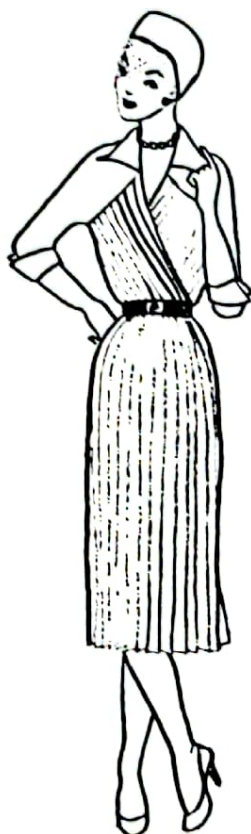
Sketches by ANNE O'BRIEN

(N. Y. Office Fashion Specialists)

A fluid, figure-flattering silhouette makes dress news this season . . . in many instances, skirts are pencil-slim, and the "straight" look is the "new" look.



Pencil-Slim



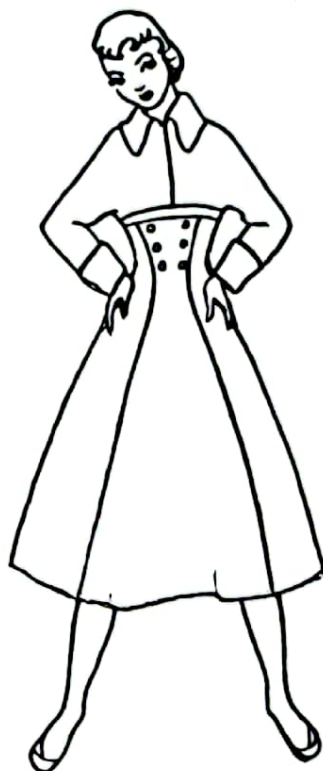
"Straight" Look

The costume continues strong . . . squared jacket and complimentary dress are top fashion tips.

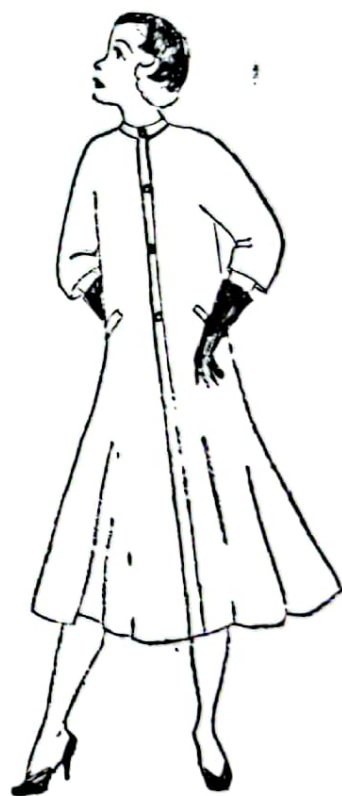


Costume

Coats cling . . . either fitted with the empire line clearly defined, or subtly suggested as in the "tulip" silhouette.



Empire Line



"Tulip"

The Millinery field headlines the head-hugging cloche in angora, tweed, velour . . . the cone, completely covering the head, softly draped with jersey.



Head-Hugging Cloche



The Cone

Boldly bare shoes, as well as the cuffed instep, spool-heeled version of the classic pump, are footwear fashion notes.



Boldly Bare



Cuffed Instep

Colors run the gamut of grape and green, beige and brown. Black always is chic.

"Majestic Mt. Pisgah" by G. Spaanbroek



